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VIA ECFS

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Federal Communications Commission
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VIA Hcfilings@usac.gov

Ms. Karen Majcher,
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**Re: Standing Rock Telecommunications, Inc., Annual Report and
Certifications Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. 54.313, WC Docket No. 10-90**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a) and the *Connect America Fund*, Third Order on Reconsideration, WC Docket No. 10-90, DA 12-52 (rel. May 14, 2012), we enclose for filing a redacted version of Standing Rock Telecommunications, Inc.'s ("Standing Rock") Annual Report and Certification. The Five-Year Service Improvement Plan Report includes proprietary information and has therefore been omitted from this filing. A copy of the confidential version of the Report is being submitted under separate cover.

Standing Rock, as a tribally-owned telecommunications carrier, is not subject to the jurisdiction of a state commission. Standing Rock is filing its Annual Report and Certification with the Commission and USAC, as directed by the August 24, 2010 Memorandum Order and Opinion in WC Docket 09-197 designating Standing Rock as an ETC.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to Douglas G. Bonner at (202) 230-5175 or to me.

Sincerely,



Jennifer L. Oberhausen

**STANDING ROCK TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER ANNUAL REPORT**

The following is the annual report for Standing Rock Telecommunication Inc. (“SRTI” or the “Company”) in compliance with 47 C.F.R. § 54.3 13(a)(1) through (a)(6). As a tribally owned Company, SRTI is not subject to the jurisdiction of a state regulatory authority. Consequently, SRTI was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) by the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) under 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(6) on August 24, 2010. This report contains accurate facts as attested to by Attachment A.

§ 54.313(a)(1) - Five-Year Service Improvement Plan Report

A description of SRTI’s five-year service improvement plan report may be found at Attachment B.

§ 54.313(a)(2) - Outage Information

In its annual report, an ETC is required to provide detailed information on any outage, as the term is defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an ETC is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect (a) at least ten percent of the end users served in a designated service area; or (b) a 911 special facility. During the past twelve months, SRTI experienced no outages of 30 minutes or longer that affected at least 10% of its end users. There is no 911 special facility in the SRTI study area.

§ 54.313(a)(3) - Unfulfilled Service Requests

At the end of 2011, SRTI had eight (8) unfulfilled service requests. All unfulfilled requests are in areas where there was no wireless coverage or infrastructure. The service requests in areas where we don’t have coverage are addressed in our 5 year plan. We continue to apply for funding to construct elements in the 5 year plan. We also look to partner with other companies where it remains in the best interest of all involved.

§ 54.313(a)(4) - Customer Complaints

In 2011, there were no customer complaints filed with the Commission. During 2011, SRTI received an average of 38 trouble reports monthly per 1,000 access lines.

§ 54.313(a)(5) - Service Quality and Consumer Protection Certification

As a company owned by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, it is reasonable that SRTI operates under service quality standards and customer protections that are in the best interest of its customers, who are mostly members of the Tribe. The rates, terms and conditions under which SRTI operates are outlined in its Retail Plans. The Company requires contracts for its customer service and protection practices, including resolving disputes with the Company, applying for service, the classification of business and residential rates, deposits, billing and

payment for service, refusal, disconnection and cancellation of service. The Contract is available for customer review in the Business Office, as requested. Rates and terms of service are disclosed to customers upon application for service both verbally and in writing as part of a packet of information for new customers. Service quality standards are established by the Company and reported to the Tribal Council. Monthly reports on service quality compliance are provided to the Tribal Council.

Certification that the Company is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules is included in Attachment C.

§ 54.313(a)(6) - Ability to Remain Functional in an Emergency Situation

SRTI's network is designed to remain functional in an emergency situation. Standby power generators are supplied at the central office, remote switch sites, and repeater sites to ensure functionality without an external power source until power is restored, so long as fuel and battery plants remain active and available. The network is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations. SRTI has a restoration plan in place to restore any disruption in service.

Certification that the Company is able to function in emergency situations is included in Attachment C.

ATTACHMENT A

VERIFICATION

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I, Miles McAllister, do hereby declare under penalty of perjury as follows: I have read this report and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the facts stated therein are true.

Standing Rock Telecom Inc.



Miles McAllister, General Manager
June 30, 2012

ATTACHMENT B
FIVE-YEAR SERVICE IMPROVEMENT REPORT

REDACTED

ATTACHMENT C

CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO § 54.313

Certifications Pursuant to § 54.313

I, Miles McAllister, do hereby declare, to the best of my knowledge and belief, under penalty of perjury the following:

1. STANDING ROCK TELECOMMUNICATIONS, Inc. (SRTI or the Company) complies with service quality standards and consumer protection rules as initially agreed upon by the Standing Rock Telecom Board of Directors and as provided in the Company's customer contracts.
2. SRTI is able to function in emergency situations. SRTI has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, and is capable of managing traffic spikes. SRTI has the ability to re-route traffic around damaged facilities due to extensive planning in its backhaul and redundant network.

Standing Rock Telecom Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Miles McAllister", is written over a horizontal line.

Miles McAllister, General Manager
June 30, 2012